

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 were previously pending in the application. By the Amendment, Claims 2, 4-5, 7 and 16-17 are currently amended, Claims 1 and 18-19 are canceled without prejudice, and Claims 3, 6 and 8-15 remain unchanged.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's allowance of Claims 6 and 13-15 and indication that Claims 4-5, 12, 18 and 19 include allowable subject matter.

Allowable original Claim 4 has been rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, newly-independent Claim 4 is allowable. Dependent Claims 2-3, 5, 7-12 and 16-17 depend from independent Claim 4 and are allowable for the same and other reasons.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, entry of the present Amendment and allowance of Claims 2-5, 7-12 and 16-17, in addition to previously allowed Claims 6 and 13-15, are respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned. Please note that Applicants have changed representation and are now represented by new counsel. The formal Revocation of Power of Attorney / New Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address documents were previously filed in a separate paper.

Respectfully submitted,



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